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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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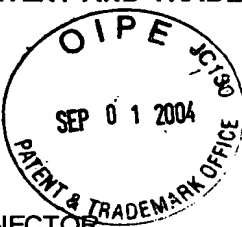
Application No.: 10/712,877

Examiner: Brian M. Healy

Filing Date: 06/10/04

Group Art Unit: 2874

Title: ELECTRO-OPTICAL CONNECTOR



Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

- (X) Response/Amendment ( ) Petition to extend time to respond  
(X) New fee as calculated below ( ) Supplemental Declaration  
( ) No additional fee (Address envelope to "Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment")  
( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_ (fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_)

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY       |  |                        |  |                         |             |                           |
|--|--|------------------------|--|-------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| (1)<br>FOR   | (2)<br>CLAIMS REMAINING<br>AFTER AMENDMENT | (3)<br>NUMBER<br>EXTRA | (4)<br>HIGHEST NUMBER<br>PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | (5)<br>PRESENT<br>EXTRA | (6)<br>RATE | (7)<br>ADDITIONAL<br>FEES |
| TOTAL<br>CLAIMS                                      | 25   | MINUS                  | 23   | = 2                     | X \$18      | \$ 36                     |
| INDEP.<br>CLAIMS                                     | 6  | MINUS                  | 4  | = 2                     | X \$86      | \$ 172                    |
| [ ] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM |  |                        |  |                         | + \$290     | \$ 0                      |
| EXTENSION<br>FEE                                     | 1ST MONTH<br>\$110.00                      | 2ND MONTH<br>\$420.00  | 3RD MONTH<br>\$950.00                        | 4TH MONTH<br>\$1480.00  |             | \$ 0                      |
| OTHER FEES   |  |                        |  |                         |             | \$                        |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT              |  |                        |  |                         |             | \$ 208                    |

Charge \$ 208 to Deposit Account 08-2025. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 08-2025 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 08-2025 under 37 CFR 1.16 through 1.21 inclusive, and any other sections in Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations that may regulate fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Typed Name: Doreen Melchior

Signature: Doreen Melchior

Respectfully submitted,

Richard A. Schumacher

By

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Date: 08/30/04



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| In re application of:          | ) | Examiner: Brian M. Healy |
| Richard A. Schumacher          | ) |                          |
|                                | ) | Art Unit: 2874           |
| Serial No.: 10/712,877         | ) |                          |
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| Filed: November 12, 2003       | ) |                          |
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| For: ELECTRO-OPTICAL CONNECTOR | ) |                          |
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| Date of Last Office Action:    | ) | Attorney Docket No.:     |
| June 10, 2004                  | ) | 200300512-1              |
|                                | ) |                          |
|                                | ) |                          |

August 30, 2004

RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of **June 10, 2004**, Applicant respectfully requests amendment of the present applications as follows:

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

Date of Deposit: 8/30/04

I hereby certify that these papers are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as "First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: The Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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